

## **Volunteer Lake Assessment Program Individual Lake Reports** GILMORE POND, JAFFREY, NH

MORPHOMETRIC DATA						TROPHIC	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	KNOWN EXOTIC SPECIES
Watershed Area (Ac.):	299	Max. Depth (m):	13.1	Flushing Rate (yr¹)	0.4	Year	Trophic class	
Surface Area (Ac.):	115	Mean Depth (m):	3.7	P Retention Coef:	0.86	2001	OLIGOTROPHIC	
Shore Length (m):	4,000	Volume (m³):	1,736,500	Elevation (ft):	1052	2006	OLIGOTROPHIC	

The Waterbody Report Card tables are generated from the 2012 305(b) report on the status of N.H. waters, and are based on data collected from 2001-2011.

Designated Use	Parameter	Category	Comments		
Aquatic Life	Phosphorus (Total)	Good	>/=5 samples and median is < threshold but > 1/2 threshold value.		
	рН	Slightly Bad	>10% of samples exceed criteria by a small margin (minimum of 2 exceedances).		
	D.O. (mg/L)	Very Good	At least 10 samples with 0 exceedances of criteria.		
	D.O. (% sat)	Very Good	At least 10 samples with 0 exceedances of criteria.		
	Chlorophyll-a	Good	>/=5 samples and median is < threshold but > 1/2 threshold value.		
Primary Contact Recreation	E. coli	Encouraging	>2 samples exist that are > 75% of geometric mean criteria, but not enough samples to calculate geometric measingle sample exceedances. More data needed.		
	Chlorophyll-a	Very Good	At least 10 samples with 0 exceedances of criteria.		

#### WATERSHED LAND USE SUMMARY

Fry, J., Xian, G., Jin, S., Dewitz, J., Homer, C., Yang, L., Barnes, C., Herold, N., and Wickham, J., 2011. Completion of the 2006 National Land Cover Database

for the Conterminous United States, PERS, Vol. 77(9):858-864. For larger image contact NHDES.



Land Cover Category	% Cover	Land Cover Category	% Cover	Land Cover Category	% Cover
Open Water	44.4	Barren Land	0	Grassland/Herbaceous	0
Developed-Open Space	5.88	Deciduous Forest	7.22	Pasture Hay	3.14
Developed-Low Intensity	0.47	Evergreen Forest	21.8	Cultivated Crops	0
Developed-Medium Intensity	0	Mixed Forest	15.92	Woody Wetlands	1.41
Developed-High Intensity	0	Shrub-Scrub	0	Emergent Wetlands	0



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**2012 DATA SUMMARY** 

#### **OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS** (Refer to Table 1 and Historical Deep Spot Data Graphic)

- ♦ CHLOROPHYLL-A: Chlorophyll levels were low throughout the summer and were much less than the NH lake median. Historical trend analysis indicates a relatively stable chlorophyll level since monitoring began.
- ♦ CONDUCTIVITY/CHLORIDE: Conductivity and chloride were elevated and much greater than the NH lake median values.
- ♠ TOTAL PHOSPHORUS: Deep spot phosphorus levels were relatively low and less than NH lake median. Historical trend analysis indicates epilimnetic (upper water layer) phosphorus levels tend to fluctuate from year to year. Outlet phosphorus levels were elevated in July and the turbidity was also elevated.
- ♠ TRANSPARENCY: Lake transparency was slightly lower than previous years, however well above the NH lake median. Historical trend analysis indicates a relatively stable lake transparency since monitoring began.
- TURBIDITY: Outlet turbidity levels were elevated in July, potentially due to low flow conditions and a small amount of sediment and/or organic debris in the sample.
- PH: pH levels were lower than desirable and potentially critical to aquatic life.
- RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: Discuss the possibility of a low salt zone or salt alternative for local roads to help address the elevated chloride and conductivity. Keep up the great work!

#### Dissolved Oxygen & Temperature Profile

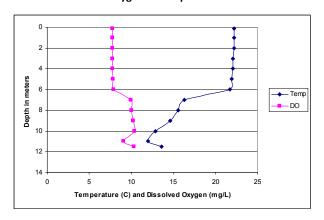


	Table 1. 2012 Average Water Quality Data for GILMORE POND								
	Alk.	Chlor-a	Chloride	Cond.	Total P	Trans.		Turb.	рН
Station Name	mg/l	ug/l	mg/l	uS/cm	ug/l	m		ntu	
						NVS	VS		
Deep Epilimnion	2.4	1.51	35	166.3	5	8.35	8.77	0.55	6.43
Deep Metalimnion				141.0	7			0.70	6.50
Deep Hypolimnion				165.8	10			0.99	6.40
Outlet				171.8	17			1.37	5.69

**NH Median Values:** Median values for specific parameters generated from historic lake monitoring

data.

Alkalinity: 4.9 mg/L Chlorophyll-a: 4.58 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Conductivity: 40.0 uS/cm Chloride: 4 mg/L

**Total Phosphorus:** 12 ug/L **Transparency:** 3.2 m

**pH**: 6.6

**NH Water Quality Standards:** Numeric criteria for specific parameters. Results exceeding criteria are considered a

water quality violation. **Chloride:** < 230 mg/L (chronic)

E. coli: > 88 cts/100 mL – public beach E. coli: > 406 cts/100 mL – surface waters Turbidity: > 10 NTU above natural level pH: 6.5-8.0 (unless naturally occurring)

### HISTORICAL WATER QUALITY TREND ANALYSIS

ParameterTrendExplanationChlorophyll-aStableData not significantly increasing or decreasing.TransparencyStableData not significantly increasing or decreasing.Phosphorus (epilimnion)VariableData fluctuate annually, but are

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